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TERRIFIC EXPLOSION ROCKS HOMUNTIN Casualties Happily Light

A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION, HAPPILY SMOTHERED TO SOME EXTENT BY THE DEPTH OF THE TUNNEL IN WHICH IT OCCURRED, ROCKED THE WHOLE OF THE HOMUNTIN AND RIAGA ESTATE AREAS LAST NIGHT, BURSTING THE ROADS FOR TWO HUNDRED YARDS AROUND IN EARTH, WRECKED THREE HOUSES, AND CAUSED THE DEATH OF AN ELDERLY CHINESE COUPLE.

THE BLAST OCCURRED JUST OFF ARGYLE STREET AT APPROXIMATELY 8.10 P.M. AND WAS OF SUCH CIENT VIOLENCE TO ATTRACT ATTENTION ON THE ISLAND IT WAS DISTINCTLY FELT IN TSM SHATSU AND HUNDREDS OF WINDOWS WERE SHATTERED WITHIN 200 TO 300 YARDS OF THE SCENE.

At midnight, R.A.F. men and Commandos, under the direction of R.A.F. police, were still digging in the wreckage of the tunnel for victims, but there was reason to believe that all occupants had been rescued for with the exception of a four-year-old boy, Wong Hui man.

The two dead had been identified as Mr. Tse Wai san, 64, and his wife, aged 61, and of eight persons taken to hospital suffering from injuries and shock, several of them children, two were reported to be in a serious condition, Yau Sri kun, and Yau Sri leung.

DANGER FORESEEN

The explosion occurred in a Japanese tunnel, built deep into the hillside with several cross sections on the road leading from Argyle Street to the "Dorset" Boys' School. During the day, some five tons of earth had been moved from the tunnel, but experts had indicated that the explosion was in a dangerous condition and it had been intended to collapse part of the tunnel and bury it.

Nearest buildings were Nos. 117, 119 and 121, Argyle Street, about thirty yards away.

MacArthur "Alarm" Scouted

TOKYO, JAN. 2. BRIGADIER-GENERAL E. R. THORPE, HEAD OF THE COUNTER-INTelligence SERVICES HERE, TODAY SAID THAT NO THREATS HAVE BEEN MADE AGAINST GENERAL MACARTHUR AND THAT GUARDS HAVE NOT BEEN INCREASED.

"I don't have any immediate worry about Allied Headquarters," said Thorpe, attributing reports of extra precautions to a "mistake".

Allied Headquarters guards have been augmented on special occasions such as during visits of Allied dignitaries or particular Japanese anniversaries when fanatics might be active.

Thorpe characterized such precautions as routine and temporary. Thorpe said that in the event of General Yamashita being hanged "it might be necessary to increase the General's guards for a week or two" for the same reason.—Associated Press.

U.K. TRAIN SMASH

Lichfield, Jan. 2. Fifteen persons were killed today when a freight train telescoped a four-coach passenger train standing at the railway station.—Associated Press.

London, Jan. 2. Two more persons have died from the railway collision at Lichfield, Staffordshire.

This brings the total deaths to fifteen and many injured are still being rescued.—Routledge.

PRISCILLA'S BABY

Hollywood, Jan. 2. Motherhood came to screen actress Priscilla Lane in the closing hours of 1945. A seven-pound boy was born to her only a few days after her husband, Major Joseph Howard, returned from Guam. The infant was named Joseph Lawrence.—Associated Press.

Java Outrage

Batavia, Jan. 2. Egon Hiram, a Danish evangelist, and five Japanese travelling with him as a protecting escort, have been murdered by Indonesian extremists.

The Indonesian authorities took immediate reprisals, executing about 40 of those involved. Reuter.

KOREANS DEMONSTRATE

SEOUL, KOREA, JAN. 2. BETWEEN 20,000 AND 30,000 KOREANS JOINED IN ORDELY PARADE YESTERDAY IN A MASS PROTEST AGAINST THE HIGHLY DETESTED FOUR-POWER TRUSTEESHIP FOR THEIR LIBERATED COUNTRY.

They demanded immediate independence. The demonstration was skillfully engineered by the provisional government organization recently returned from exile in Chungking.

There were indications that all the demonstrators were not voluntary or enthusiastic. Parade marshals armed with sticks nudged lagging marchers back into line and recruited new strength from sidewalk onlookers as they proceeded.

There still is no report of any Korean reaction in the Russian-occupied northern half of the country.—Associated Press.

Chiang's New Year Gesture

CHUNGKING, JAN. 1. IN A NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE TO THE CHINESE PEOPLE, CHIANG KAI-SHEK DECLARED HE WOULD GO TO ANY LENGTHS TO PRESERVE INTERNAL PEACE AND PROMOTE CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY.

"WE WILL USE EVERY POSSIBLE PEACEFUL MEANS TO SOLVE THE INTERNAL CONFLICTS," HE SAID IN A RADIO ADDRESS.

"Internally I wish to maintain national unity. Externally I wish to achieve world peace. I have devoted everything I have to my country and I have banished all thoughts of life or death and success or failure. Considerations of personal glory and gain are not in my thoughts."

The Generalissimo's conciliatory statement came just prior to his Government's counter-proposals to the Communists for ending hostilities and his setting of Jan. 10 for the meeting of the political consultative council. Government-Communist conferences for settlement of difficulties are not likely to start before the second week in January.

NO POSTPONEMENT

Chiang Kai-shek said the national assembly, now scheduled to meet on May 5, must never be postponed again. He said that to enable an expression of popular will in the post-war period, the Government is prepared to increase the number of delegates to the assembly "so leading personages of society and representatives of other political parties may also take part in its deliberations."

The only condition to this arrangement, Chiang said, was that representatives of parties who are going to take part in the Government "must not maintain autonomous armies to serve as instruments for forcible seizure of power."

He declared that if two armies are allowed to exist under one Government it is tantamount to creation of another government.

POSITION OF HONOUR

Chiang added that with a victorious end to the war, Chinese should celebrate the New Year's arrival with justified pride, "but as a matter of fact our country still is facing a rather difficult situation. Though foreign aggression has been repelled, internal trouble is becoming ever more serious."

He said the position of honour which the nation attained

by more than eight years of bloodshed and sacrifice was being jeopardised by recent events. Stressing that the first pre-requisites to a return to normalcy were peace and stability, he declared:

"These are not only needed by the Chinese as a nation; they are also the main conditions upon which world security depends. But over and above everything else we must arrive at a common understanding on national problems."—Associated Press.

London, Jan. 2. Land's End shipping radio station has picked up a message stating that the 7,000-ton United States steamer "John B. Hood" carrying 550 troops, is wallowing off the Azores minus a propeller and in need of assistance.

Later another vessel was reported to be standing by.—Associated Press.

Moscow Diplomacy Indications

WASHINGTON, JAN. 2. DIPLOMATIC OFFICIALS TO-DAY EXPRESSED THE BELIEF THAT THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN DURING 1946 WILL OFFICIALLY CONCEDE LITHUANIA, LATVIA AND ESTONIA AS PART OF THE SOVIET UNION.

THE SAME OFFICIALS SAID "THERE IS GOOD SPECULATION" THAT THE BIG THREE IN EUROPE WILL BE FOLLOWING A COMMON POLICY ON DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION.

If this is true it will mean that the United States and Britain will break with the Franco Government in Spain which the Soviets have never recognised.

The way was paved at the recent Moscow Conference for American and British recognition of the governments of Rumania and Bulgaria.

Having completed plans for a 21-Nation Peace Conference and peace treaties with five former enemies, it is believed that the United States and Britain will

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Offers Germany To British Empire RIBBENTROP ON HITLER'S LAST WISH

NUERNBERG, JAN. 2. BEATEN AND BITTER, ADOLF HITLER TALKED OF WORLD POLITICS FOR THE LAST TIME WITH JOACHIM VON RIBBENTROP A WEEK BEFORE HIS REPORTED DEATH IN FLAMING BERLIN AND PROPHESIED:

"MY SPIRIT WILL ARISE FROM MY GRAVE AND ONE WILL SEE THAT I HAVE BEEN RIGHT."

The nervous Fuehrer entrusted to his Foreign Minister delivery of an appeal to British statesmen for a virtual union of their Empire with Germany. Hitler admitted he "regretted" the war with the United States.

He could not help expressing that he marvelled at the power of the Soviet Union and he called Stalin's creation of the Red Army "a grandiose deed."

But he displayed "deep disappointment and embitterment" about the failure of his own political dreams.

Thus, the fugitive Von Ribbentrop, writing to the former British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, in Hamburg, in the apartment of a 35-year-old blonde last summer, described his final meeting with the man he followed.

This is the first dispatch to quote textually from Ribbentrop's handwritten message to the British leaders, which the army intelligence heretofore has kept on its secret list.

NO RESEMBLANCE

Ribbentrop's version of what he claimed to be "Hitler's last political will," made to him orally, bore practically no resemblance to the hysterically worded document released publicly by Allied officers last week-end, which named a Cabinet under Admiral Donitz to carry on the war, charged Hermann Goering and Heinrich Himmler with treason and blamed Germany's downfall on "international Jewry."

Ribbentrop wrote: "So often lately, the Fuehrer's deep disappointment and embitterment about the failure of his political conception was evident."

He said the conversation "culminated in a kind of last appeal and message to the leaders of the British Empire," and represented "the last political will of a man who as a great idealist loved his people above all."

FAITHFUL TO LAST

"I have been a close collaborator of the Fuehrer in foreign politics for many years. I have been a faithful follower of his up to the last minute," Ribbentrop wrote.

He said that during the rapid Russian advance on Berlin he was cut off and could not return to the city because of its encirclement. He said he asked the Fuehrer's permission for him and his men to join a German army in the battle for the re-opening of the encirclement ring or for the relief of Berlin, should it appear possible, but he said Hitler said he didn't want him in; that he should remain outside the fighting zone "and keep myself ready for further instructions."—Associated Press.

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SYMBOLIC DESTRUCTION

Burning Of Huge Opium Supplies

U.S. Share Of World Trade

New York, Jan. 2. Senator Claude Pepper, Democrat, of Florida, home from a four-month European trip, said American small business was in a position to obtain "the greatest share it ever had of world trade." He said he was convinced this could be achieved through government planning and the cooperation of business, and asserted loan negotiations completed by the U.S. and Britain would revive trade.

The primary object of the trip, he said, was to determine how much business in this country might obtain a larger share of post-war trade. He said he went as a "one-man subcommittee" of the senate committee on small business and as a member of the foreign relations committee.

"There was never a time when a nation had such an opportunity for world leadership as has the United States," Pepper asserted. "I pray that we do not grow cautious and neglect the opportunity we have of helping to lead the world to a prosperity and a peace it has never known before."

He said Europe was "rather remarkably beginning to show signs of recovery" and that the rate of recovery would depend on the policies of the U.S. Associated Press.

Major Blow At Jap. Policy

WASHINGTON, JAN. 2. A SYMBOLIC DESTRUCTION OF JAPAN'S EFFORT TO BRING CHINA INTO SUBMISSION TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY.

UNDER ORDERS FROM GENERALISSIMO CHIANG KAI-SHEK, CHINESE SUPPRESSION FORCES BURNED 800,000 OUNCES OF OPIUM SEIZED FROM THE JAPANESE IN NORTH CHINA. THE BURNING TOOK PLACE IN A PUBLIC CEREMONY IN THE GREAT OUTER COURT OF THE ONCE IMPERIAL FORBIDDEN CITY IN PEKING.

At smuggling prices, the cache likely would have brought above \$100,000,000 in U.S. currency. It is worth many millions of yen in legitimate trade.

The Japanese narcotics industry poured shipments of illicit products into the continental area. The revenues were enormous but more important to the Japanese was the projected use of the drugs as a demoralizing weapon against those they sought to conquer.

The United States has long fought the menace and now General MacArthur, Supreme Commander in Tokyo, has instructed his forces to destroy the Empire's narcotic trade.

SEVERE LAWS

Their latest success brought to light a store of opium and other narcotics hidden in central Japan hills and valued at \$50,000,000.

Chinese Kai shek in ordering the great opium fire on the marble

pavements of the one-time home of China's Manchukuo Emperor is re-creating the fight he began shortly after becoming the head of China's reorganized government. Severe laws were enforced as well as available means permitted and these brought appreciable results against the habit fastened on the legions of these Chinese people for generations.

A combination of hospitals for addicts willing and trying to be cured and death sentences for chronic offenders made remarkable progress. The habit died hard but gradually China's opium fields became food sources and narcotic dens were fewer.

Japan's invading armies sought a reversal of the trend. Farmers were forced to produce opium poppies. Narcotic prices under Japanese control came within the grasp of all and distributing shops functioned openly through most of Asia.

FIRST BLOW

How far Japan's efforts to drug her victims into submission to her military might have succeeded cannot be said with certainty. Doubtless it existed to some degree the occupation of parts of continental Asia after her military machine had crushed initial opposition.

Chiang Kai shek has announced he is out again to free his people from opium. The burning in Peking was the first major blow he has been able to wield since the Japanese surrender. Associated Press.

Bidding For Nazi Plants

Berlin, Jan. 2. The American Military Government's industry branch said today that 56 additional factories in Western Germany have been declared available for reparations. It makes a total of 82 thus earmarked.

The new factories include the Krupp steel plant in Essen and the I. G. Farben plant in the Rhineland.

Of the 82 plants, 26 have been allocated to Russian Poland. Lieut. General Joseph T. McNarney, Commanding General of the United States forces in Germany, said 13 nations have put in a bid for German industrial plants. They are England, Russia, Poland, France, The Netherlands, Greece, Norway, Yugoslavia, Australia, India, Egypt, Belgium and Czechoslovakia. Associated Press.

STRIKE OVER

Singapore, Jan. 2. Seven thousand employees of the British military government administration at the Singapore naval base agreed to resume work today after a three-week strike for higher pay. The administration agreed to pay the workers their wages for the strike period, but there was no announcement of any increase being granted. Associated Press.

Tributes To MacA By Congressmen

WASHINGTON, JAN. 2. SENATOR WHERRY, REPUBLICAN OF NEBRASKA, TODAY SAID THE JAPANESE CONTROL AGREEMENT REACHED IN MOSCOW "IS GOING TO STYMIE GENERAL MACARTHUR."

He said he did not see "why we should give in and permit Russia to set up a veto power with regard to Japan." He said: "MacArthur has done a wonderful job in Japan and I think he knows how to handle the country."

Representative Andrew J. May, Democrat of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Military Affairs Committee, said: "I see nothing wrong in the Moscow agreement. I have the utmost confidence in Secretary of State Byrnes and his ability as a shrewd diplomat."

"MacArthur should have been consulted if he was not. He seems to have the situation well in control and no restrictions should be placed upon him which would interfere with his freedom to act in controlling the Japanese."

FINE PLAN

"The Russians entered the Japanese war when it was practically over and I do not think they should have a lot to say about governing Japan but when a negotiator enters a conference like that at Moscow he has to make some concessions."

"I do not think Byrnes has conceded any points that will hamper MacArthur. He still dominates the situation."

Chairman Elbert Thomas, Democrat of Utah, of the Senate Military Committee said: "I think the plan worked out at Moscow is an exceptionally fine one, and one that will lead to better understanding." Associated Press.

GET ON WITH IT

Vienna, Jan. 2. A spokesman for the Allied Kommandatura in Vienna yesterday expressed indignation at the livity on the part of the Vienna police and courts in prosecuting Austrian Nazis and announced that a legal committee examining the Nazi record would bring order into the process of cleansing the city of Hitlerites.

Out of 6,874 persons arrested as Nazis since Vienna's liberation by the Red Army 2,599 were released, the spokesman said. He added that only 119 cases had been tried in courts; eight of these being acquitted. Associated Press.

Warsaw, Jan. 2.

Poland today received 12 American locomotives as the first direct help towards solving the critical railway transport problem in the country. Associated Press.

Jerusalem, Jan. 2.

The British authorities today detained 50 persons for further questioning on the completion of the combined police and military search through the Jewish town of Ramat Gan.

The curfew is still being enforced. Associated Press.

Pirates

Singapore, Jan. 2. Pirates, reported to be operating from the former Siamese prison island of Pak Pulau, are delaying the return of 16 junks vitally needed in Burma for food shipments to Malaya.

Ngo in Penang harbour, the junk operators are reluctant to sail because of the armed pirates, said to be disguised as Siamese police. Other junks which sailed previously have been reported stripped of cargoes of rice, beans and other foodstuffs. Associated Press.

More Time At Home

Washington, Jan. 2. Congressional leaders will try to speed their programme in 1946 so that the law makers can spend more time with their home folks.

Chairman Canned, Democrat of Missouri, of the House Appropriations Committee has agreed to go along with the House effort to close shop from July 1 through to the November elections.

Aside from the fact that all House members and one third of the Senators face re-election tests, Canned said there is a plan to put Congress back on a peace-time basis.

A Missourian recalled that prior to the war, legislators sometimes were absent from Washington as much as eight months at a time. Since the war started Congress has been in almost constant session with only occasional brief holiday periods. Associated Press.

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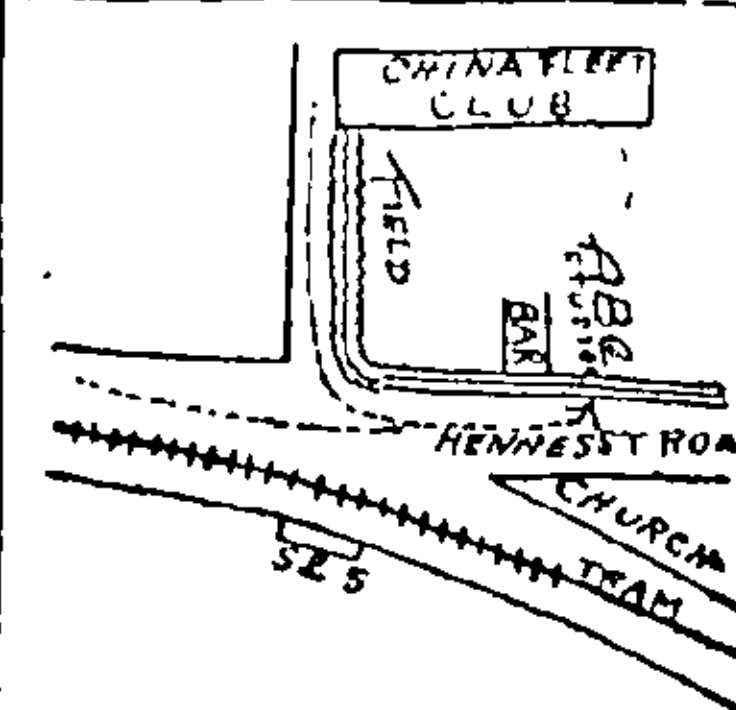
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Epidemic On Cruiser

Vallejo, Calif., Jan. 2. Naval and civil medical authorities are seeking to determine the cause of an epidemic aboard the cruiser "Tuscaloosa," which first appeared in the Philippines and revived off the China Coast.

The ailment, diagnosed as albuminuria, a kidney irritation, is not dangerous but is extremely painful. Naval authorities said the ship would not leave the Navy Yard here to bring more troops home until the cause of the malady is determined. At one time in the Far East 51 per cent of the crew of 1,000 were ill. During the past week here, 74 crewmen entered hospital. Associated Press.

THE REAL VICTOR?

Buenos Aires, Jan. 2. Juan Peron, now an avowed candidate for the Argentine Presidency, told a political gathering that Russia was the real victor of World War II.

"The Russian Revolution has just written its great epic on the battlefield," the former Vice-President told 3,000 delegates of what he called "Our New Party." "The Allied Powers may have contributed to victory, but the outstanding fact of the times is that Russia today occupies all Europe and part of Asia." Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 2. Smiling and happy, Catholic Priest Father Leopold Braun arrived here from Moscow after 12 years in Russia. He smiled away questions about his experiences in Moscow, saying only that he had been "allowed to hold services." He came aboard Secretary of State Byrnes' plane. Associated Press.

Pearl Harbour, Jan. 2. Navy sources here said today that Naval personnel based anywhere in the Pacific has been reduced by 50 per cent since the end of the war. The heaviest concentrations were in the Hawaiian, Marianas, Philippines, and Ryukyu Islands. Associated Press.

America Going Into The Loan Business

WASHINGTON, JAN. 2. ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS BELIEVE AMERICA'S FOREIGN LOANS IN 1946 WILL FAR SURPASS THE \$2,455,000,000 IN CREDITS EXTENDED TO ELEVEN NATIONS IN 1945.

Legislation for the \$3,750,000,000 loan to Britain is scheduled to go to Congress early in the New Year.

Export and Import Bank officials are now considering requests from seven war-torn countries preparing for a record year in smaller loans. One government financial expert predicted that if Congress approves the loan to Britain, the 1946 total may well be above \$5,000,000,000.

Congressional approval of the British loan may be the signal for Russia, China and France to try for similar large-scale financial help.

Russia never submitted a formal application but Stalin is reported to have said that the Soviet Union could use about \$3,000,000,000 as

United States monetary aid. China has notified bank officials she was thinking in terms of \$2,000,000,000, and French requirements may be as large.

Of the foreign countries which received credits in 1945, France got the largest share—two loans totaling about \$850,000,000. Britain was next with \$650,000,000 while Russia received the third largest credit of about \$400,000,000 allowed by the Foreign Economic Administration.

The Export and Import Bank made the following other loans: Belgium, The Netherlands and the Dutch East Indies \$100,000,000; Norway \$50,000,000; Brazil \$38,000,000; Chile \$30,000,000 and Mexico \$22,000,000. Associated Press.

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Entombed

Pineville, Kentucky, Jan. 2.
Hopa has been abandoned
for the 20 miners entombed
last Wednesday by an under-
ground explosion in a coal-
mine near here, and the main
entrance to the mine pit has
been ordered sealed off. The
right miners who had been
removed alive, one died before
he could be brought out and
two were found dead.—Asso-
ciated Press.

We're Lucky To Be Alive In Atom Era

London, Jan. 2.
Sir Lawrence Bragg, professor
of Experimental Physics at Cam-
bridge University, today pre-
dicted that atomic energy would
"bring about a world state."
"Nothing else is now possible,"
he told a Citizens' Meeting for
Youth in London.

"This new energy is the final
step in joining humanity to-
gether."

Bragg, who was awarded the
Nobel Physics Prize in 1915,
added: "Things are happening
now which happen only in every
60 or 100 or 500,000 years in world
history."

The Cambridge professor said:
"It might have had luck to be born
in such times but future genera-
tions will look back with envy
to the present generation for
living in such an extraordinary
age." He asserted that "it might
take 1,000 years before things are
settled up and people settle down
in the world state."—Associated
Press.

ARAB BOYCOTT

Cairo, Jan. 2.
The Egyptian Cabinet has ap-
proved the boycott on Zionist pro-
duced goods from Palestine, effec-
tive immediately.—Associated
Press.

PROTEST STRIKE

Cairo, Jan. 2.
Djamil Mardam Bey, Syrian
minister to Egypt, said that a
general strike would be proclai-
med in Syria and Lebanon to pro-
test the Anglo-French agreement
on the Levant.—Associated Press.

Agent's Death Foiled Irish Rebellion

NUERNBERG, JAN. 2.
THE MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF AN
IRISH REVOLUTION-
ARY AGENT ABOARD A GERMAN U-BOAT FOILED
NAZI PLANS TO PROMOTE A REVOLUTION IN IRE-
LAND AND SABOTAGE BRITISH INDUSTRIES FROM
IRISH BASES, ACCORDING TO MAJ.-GEN. EDWIN
LAHOUSSEN.

LaHousen, an erstwhile German
intelligence official who is a wit-
ness for the prosecution at the
war crimes trial here stated at an
interview yesterday that the Nazis
had planned to stir up a revolt
through the outlawed Irish Republi-
can Army.

He said that the revolution was
timed to occur when the Nazis in-
vaded Britain. This was to be
preceded by sabotage operations
against British war industries by
agents operating from Irish bases
and assisted by the Irish Republi-
can Army.

LaHousen said that the key re-
volutionary figure in the Nazi in-
trigue was an Irish-American in
the I.R.A. This agent worked his
way from New York to Genoa,
Italy, on an American merchant
ship, and went to Germany after
contacting Nazi intelligence offi-
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Adm. Walker Canaris, chief of
the German intelligence who was

subsequently hanged for his part
in the 1944 bomb plot
against Hitler, was accused by the
German Foreign Office of having
poisoned the agent, LaHousen said.

"I can say that however mys-
terious the whole affair was, it is
absolutely out of the question that
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Fascist Salute For Oswald Mosley

LONDON, JAN. 2.
MORE THAN 1,000 PERSONS GATHERED AT A MEETING
AT WHICH THEY GREETED WITH THE FASCIST
SALUTE THE EX-LEADER OF THE BRITISH FAS-
CISTS, OSWALD MOSLEY.
THE MEETING WAS HELD IN A CAFE UNDER THE
GUISE OF A DANCE.

Mosley, speaking at the meet-
ing, threatened the enemies of Fas-
cism.
The building where the meeting
was taking place was guarded by
hefty fellows who attempted to
prevent journalists from getting in.
They broke the camera of a
photographer, beat up a reporter
and threw him out of the meeting.
The members of the British
Commission reported the appear-
ance on the political arena of the
British Fascist union which ex-
isted before the war, headed by Os-
wald Mosley, the "Daily Herald."

Chinese Bring Homes With Them

Chinese labourers from Australia who were recently repatriated by the "Cheshire" brought with them 500 tons of baggage for a total complement of 1,350.

The baggage included brass bedsteads, bicycles, and gramophones. About 500, who are set to be repatriated to Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin, are now staying at the Yuen Hotel, Shekwan, which was specially fitted up for their stay here by the Public Works Department.

Of the total number, only 200 were from Hong Kong and the New Territories. Some 600 were from Canton.

In Australia they were employed in shipbuilding, as dockyard workers and in war work generally.

BRITISH MILITARY ADMINISTRATION, (HONG KONG)

C.A.A. MEDICAL BRANCH

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that the Office of the Visiting Medical Officer, Chinese Hospitals and Dispensaries, (Lieutenant Colonel S. Y. Wan) has been removed from 1st floor, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building to 3rd floor, Post Office Building.

J. P. FEHLY, Col.

H.M.S. C.A.A.

Hong Kong,

31st December, 1945.

NOTICE

HAW PAR BROTHERS, LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Power of Attorney dated the 11th day of October 1945, executed by Messrs. Haw Par Brothers Limited (虎豹兄弟有限公司) appointing Mr. Ip Kwai Chung (葉貴松) as the attorney and agent for the company in Hong Kong has on the 21st day of December 1945 been fully revoked and cancelled by a Deed of Revocation of the same date and by virtue whereof the said Ip Kwai Chung is no longer the company's attorney or agent and he has no further power to act as such.

Dated 2nd day of January 1946

HAW PAR BROTHERS, LTD.

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

No ice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of all members will be held on Thursday, 10th January 1946 at 5.15 p.m. at the club premises, First Floor, Queen's Building.

1. To pass the minutes of the last Extraordinary General Meeting.

2. To amend Article 4 of the Constitution.

3. To amend Article 5a and 5b of the Constitution.

By order of the Committee.

O. C. LEOW,

Hon. Secretary.

3th January, 1946.

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Good Sport At The New Year Races

THE LARGE CROWD THAT ATTENDED HONG KONG'S FIRST POST-WAR RACE MEETING, ORGANISED BY THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN AID OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S DISTRESS FUND, ON NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE VALLEY WAS REWARDED WITH A DAY OF GOOD SPORT AND FAIR DIVIDENDS.

Among those who attended were H.E. the C-in-C Sir Cecil Harcourt, Admiral Lord Fraser, C-in-C British Pacific Fleet, Major-General F. W. Peeling, G.O.C. Hong Kong, Lt. Col. Leathers, Col. Foster and Col. Welch.

Patronage generally came through to home their backers fairly good dividends. The only upset was caused in the second race when Jackie, an outsider, romped home comfortably to pay his backers \$11.70 for a win, the highest dividend of the day.

The hand of H.M.S. Duke of York was in attendance and ten dived much in between races.

First "The Imperial Cup" (4 furlongs)
Mayday (Loret, Gwyther) 1
Ming (L. Col. Peck) 2
Bully (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Second "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Prince (L. Col. Peck), Plover (L. Col. Peck), Nipper (L. Col. Peck), Nipper (L. Col. Peck), Nipper (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Third "The Derna Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Fourth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Fifth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Sixth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Seventh "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Eighth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Ninth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Tenth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Eleventh "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Twelfth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Thirteenth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Fourteenth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Fifteenth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Sixteenth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Seventeenth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Eighteenth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Nineteenth "The Banchusa Hand" (4 furlongs)
Jackie (L. Col. Peck) 1
Tom (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Winner: \$14.40. Place: \$6.20, \$3.40, \$2.10.
Twentieth "The Hong Kong Derby" (6 furlongs)
Loring 1
Candy (L. Col. Peck) 2
Blindfold (L. Col. Peck) 3
Also Ran: Goldy (L. Col. Peck), Emperor (L. Col. Peck), Diamond King (L. Col. Peck), Standard (L. Col. Peck).

Back To Italy

Rome, Jan. 2.
The Allies handed back to Italy yesterday, administrative control of the four northern regions of Piedmont, Venezia, Lombardy and Liguria—Associated Press.

Home Football

London, Jan. 1.
Chesterfield were idle to-day in British football but although both Everton and Sheffield United won their New Year games, Chesterfield still lead in the League North, owing to superior goal average.

Everton started their game a man short, but were a goal up when Hayes finally appeared. Hayes also scored.
At the other end of the League Blackburn's victory over Barnsley lifted them off the bottom rung, where they have been since the middle of November. Leeds, whose game with Blackpool was postponed, now occupy that position.

Despite the cold and frost-bound grounds 55,000 spectators turned out at Newcastle to see the home side defeat Sheffield Wednesday. Wainman, who deputised for Newcastle's England centre-forward Gubbins, netted.

No League South games were played.
In Scotland, the annual holiday game between the Celtic and Rangers resulted in a narrow victory for the Rangers, giving them a 11 point lead over Aberdeen in Division A.

Aberdeen surprisingly went down to Falkirk. Queen's Park kept up their unbeaten sequence by holding Third Lanark to a draw.

In Division B the clash of two Dundee clubs, one the champions and the other at the bottom of the league, resulted in a hard-fought draw. Renfer.

H.E. the C-in-C Rear Admiral Sir Cecil Harcourt, paid a formal return visit to Mr. T. W. Kwok at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday morning. Mr. Kwok is the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

Rose Bowl Rout

Pasadena, Calif., Jan. 2.
In the most one-sided score in the history of the Rose Bowl, Alabama's powerhouse football eleven routed Southern California 84 to 14 in the annual New Year's Day attraction before a crowd of 91,000 persons.

Alabama outmaneuvered and outpowered the Trojans to score in every period. The Alabama has been two-touchdown favourites before the game and the crushing margin of their victory left the big California crowd stunned.

Scores of other New Year's Day games included:
At San Francisco: East All Stars 7, West 7 (tie).
At El Paso: Sun Bowl: New Mexico 34, Denver 24.
At Birmingham: Vulcan Bowl: Tennessee State 33, Texas College 6.

At Jacksonville: Flower Bowl: Louisiana Normal 19, Lane College 6.
At Orlando: Azalea Bowl: Knoxville College 18, Florida N. & I. 0.
At Miami: Coconut Bowl: Bethune-Cookman College 32, Albany State Teachers 0.

(The scores of the Sugar, Cotton and Orange Bowl games were not received because of radio transmission difficulties.) Associated Press.

Home Boxing

London, Jan. 2.
Jack Salmons, the London boxing promoter, has completed arrangements with the directors of Empress Hall, Earl's Court, whereby regular international boxing tournaments will be staged at three-weekly intervals.

"I shall hold my first tournament at Empress Hall on March 12, which will be the first of a series in which leading American fighters will be engaged," Salmons said to-day.

Earl's Court has just been de-reserved. Boxing contests there have not been possible during the war. Renfer.

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